1	2	3	4	5
South Bihar	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Bihar	1083.14	0.00	1083.14	100.00
Assam	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Andhra Pradesh	6791.35	3439.82	3351.53	49.35
Karnataka	11995.41	6123.95	5871.46	48.95
Tamil Nadu	5153.69	3001.30	2152.39	41.76
Kerala	440.62	282.10	158.52	35.98
Orissa	466.12	317.66	148.46	31.85
West Bengal	49.06	0.00	49.96	100.00
Nagaland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pondicherry	96.44	6.31	90.13	93.46
Goa	310.41	141.43	168.88	54.42
All India	96546.40	56655.42	39890.98	41.32

[Translation]

Welfare of Handicapped persons

398. SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the recommendations from the State Government of Bihar for the Welfare of handicapped have been pending with the Union Government for the last one year;

(b) If so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which these cases are likely to be approved ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALA) : (a) to (c) The State Government of Bihar has recommended certain applications of Non-Governmental Organisations for grant-in-aid to them under various Schemes for the welfare of the handicapped being administered by Ministry of Welfare.

Most of these applications have not been processed as the committed liabilities of the Ministry under these programmes did not warrant undertaking any new proposal. As there has been no enhancement in the Budget allocation of the Ministry of Welfare under different Schemes for welfare of the handicapped, no new applications are likely to be considered during the financial year.

[English]

Food Storage Depots

399. SHRI A.G.S. RAM BABU : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to construct food storage depots in Tamil Nadu particularly at Madurai;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) to (c) As on 1.1.1997, Food Corporation of India has a total capacity of 7.55 lakh tonnes in Tamil Nadu with utilisation of 35%. Therefore, the existing storage capacity requirement of the State. However, as a long term plan FCI proposes to create additional capacity at the following centres in Tamil Nadu subject to availability of land and finance:-

1. Vilangudi (Madurai) – 25,000 MT
2. Ramanathapuram – 5,000 MT

Godowns and Offices

400. SHRI NAMDEO DIWATHE : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) the locations of Food Corporation of India and Central Warehousing Corporation Offices and godowns in Maharashtra with total capacity of godowns;

(b) the order of investment made in construction of godowns during the last three years in Maharashtra by these organisations and the capacities added;